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Todd Family

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SISTER-IN-LAW OF ABRAHAM LINCOLN, 103 YEARS OLD, CASTS FIRST VOTE IN OREGON

MRS. SARAH TODD

1913

EUGENE ORE., December 10.– Mrs. Sarah Todd, 103 years old, and a sister-in-law of Abraham Lincoln, walked to the polls this month and cast her first vote. "Grandma" Todd, as she is familiarly known in Eugene, has taken a lively interest in the referendum balloting. Born in Kentucky when that state was a wilderness, she moved to Missouri at an early age, and came to Oregon twenty years ago. This was, therefore, her first opportunity to enjoy the right of suffrage, and she was especially concerned over the fate of the university measures. "Grandma" Todd will be 104 years old March 29. Her husband's sister was Mrs. Abraham Lincoln. She has been making her home during the past ten years with Rev. J. S. McCallum, who lives at 1165 Willamette street, this city.

widow of Frank Todd, not a brother of MTL

Colliers, Dec. 27, 1913.

ABRAHAM LINCOLN'S SISTER-IN-LAW, *Mrs. Sarah Todd, of Eugene, Ore., became a voter the other day at the age of 103. She cast a ballot in a referendum election. Mrs. Todd was recovering from grippe and felt a little less "hearty and hale" than usual; but "refused a proffered arm and walked to the polls with only her cane for support"*

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The Lincoln National Life Insurance Company
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Gentlemen:

I am seeking information concdrning Samuel B. Todd who was in Harrodsburg, Kentucky in 1813. Do you have available any information concerning him or can you tell me where I might find something about him.

I am greatly interested in knowing in what, if any, way he was connected with the family of Mary Todd.

Thank you for any information you give me.

Yours very truly,

C. E. Van Norman

Principal Sparta Township High School
Wataga, Illinois

John Todd

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in 1779. In Virginia Legislature. Most of 1777
with clark in Ill.

McPheeters.

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The Transylvania Memorial Celebration

1735—1775—1935

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A Proposed Transylvania Memorial.

The Transylvanians, a patriotic society founded October 11, 1929, at Henderson, Kentucky, is arranging a celebration at Boonesborough, Kentucky, October 12, 1935. Many other patriotic societies will assist in the celebration. The governors of Kentucky, North Carolina, Virginia, and Tennessee are sponsoring the celebration, which is being promoted by a committee of distinguished men and women.

Five historic events, interlinked in the history of this epochal movement of expansion and colonization in the opening of the West, will be celebrated on this occasion. These are:

1—The founding of the Transylvania Company at Hillsborough, North Carolina, January 6, 1775.

2—The Treaty of Sycamore Shoals, March 14-17, 1775, by which the Transylvania Company acquired of the tribe of Cherokee Indians title to upwards of twenty millions of acres of land, covering much of Tennessee and the greater part of present Kentucky.

3—The cutting of the Transylvania Trail from the Long Island of Holston River, Tennessee, to Otter Creek, Kentucky, site of later Boonesborough—the first great pathway to the West.

4—The convening of the Legislature of Transylvania at Boonesborough, May 23, 1775, the first legislative body of Americans to assemble west of Cumberland Gap.

5—The founding of the State of Transylvania and its capital, Boonesborough, April—May, 1775.

This celebration is being held this year, since it is the bicentennial of the birth of Richard Henderson, President of the Transylvania Company, April 20, 1735. It is planned to unveil four large tablets, set in a giant granite boulder on the site of the meeting of the Transylvania Legislature, to commemorate the events mentioned. On the tablets will appear, with suitable inscriptions:

1—The names of the Proprietors of Transylvania: Richard Henderson, John Williams, Thomas Hart, Nathaniel Hart, David Hart, James Hogg, William Johnston, Leonard Henley Bullock and John Luttrell.

2—The names of the axemen who cut out the Transylvania Trail: Daniel Boone, Squire Boone, James Bridges, William Bush, Samuel Coburn, Richard Callaway, Crabtree, Benjamin Cuthirth, David Gass, John Hart, William Hays, William Hicks, Edmund Jennings, Thomas Johnson, John Kennedy, John King, William Miller, William Moore, James Nail, James Peeke, Bartlett Searcy, Reuben Searcy, Michael Stoner, Samuel Tate, William Twitty, Felix Walker, Thomas McDowell, Jeremiah McPheeters.

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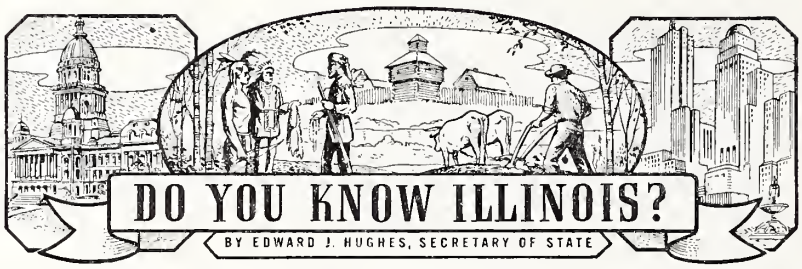

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Q. To whom did George Rogers Clark appeal for assistance in his expedition to claim the West in 1778?

A. Patrick Henry, Governor of Virginia.

Q. With whom did Henry consult?

A. Thomas Jefferson, George Mason, and George Wythe.

Q. Under what jurisdiction did the Illinois country come after Clark's successful expedition?

A. It became a county of Virginia.

Q. For how long had the Illinois Country been under the British Flag?

A. For 15 years; from the Treaty of Paris in 1763 until Clark's occupation in 1778.

Q. How long prior to that had Illinois been French?

A. 90 years; from 1673 to 1763.

Q. Who was the first Virginia official sent to Illinois?

A. John Todd, Jr., as county lieutenant.

Q. What did Henry say in his letter of instructions to Todd?

A. "You are on all occasions to inculcate in the people of the region the value of liberty and the difference between the state of free citizens of this commonwealth and that slavery to which Illinois was destined."

Q. How long did Illinois remain a county of Virginia?

A. For eleven years; from 1778 to 1787.

Q. Under what government did it then come?

A. The Federal Government as part of the Northwest Territory.

Q. When did Illinois become part of the Indiana Territory?

A. 1809.

(uncle of Mary Lincoln)

Q. Who was the first County Lieutenant?

A. John Todd.

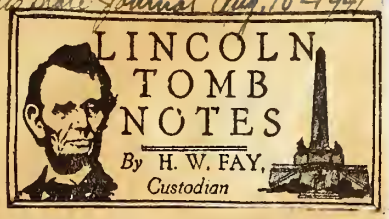
Greenville Journal
June 7 1940

Berry Queen

Joyce Dean Todd

Miss Todd, a student at Graham High School, was crowned queen of the annual Greenville 1940 Strawberry Festival which closed Saturday.

Ill. State Journal Aug. 10 - 1941



There were about 2,100 callers registered yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Phillips of Minneapolis, Minn., were morning callers and stayed to hear many stories of Lincoln. He is a personal friend of Governor Stasson of his state.

John W. Maurer of Tallula, Menard county, was an afternoon caller. He brought out a group of Chicago C.C.C. boys who formerly were on the job at New Salem state park.

Guests from India asked to see a picture of Rabindranath Tagore, the poet in India. They were shown an album with over fifty pictures of him or about him, his friends and his cause. He died at Calcutta, India, Aug. 7, 1941. Aged 80 years. He wore a long white beard and his picture suggests Longfellow, Bryant, Whitman, Joaquin Miller and other American bards. He had many friends in America.

J. C. Hullett of this city, who had been employed at St. Louis for a year or two and is now connected with the Woodstock Typewriter office in Chicago, was an afternoon caller. He brought out and donated a prize item which is a piece of wood from the far famed "Charter Oak" in Connecticut. Accompanying this are a number of historical items.

J. L. Hankins of Chicago brought out Nathan Hall Todd, 4500 Sheridan road, Chicago. He is 84 years of age. Mrs. Lincoln's father and his grandfather were brothers. He is writing a book to correct some of the injustices done Mrs. Lincoln.

Lawrence Tangney, Decatur, county clerk of Macon county, sends two prized Lincoln items of May 26, 1830.

Joe Zold of Pawnee brought out several guests to visit the tomb.

Robert A. Evans and Faye Lucille Evans of Witt brought out Joseph N. Togba of Liberia, Africa.

John Allen and party of Moline went the rounds.

Lorane Thomas of Sandwich, DeKalb county, was an afternoon guest with party of friends.

Freeman Wood of this city brought out friends.

Roger North
(brother of Robert S.)
Robert Levi - Sallie

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Nathan

Mary Todd Lincoln Kin Dead; Retired Banker

3-14-43 G.

CHICAGO, Mar. 13.—(AP)—Nathan Hall Todd, 85, second cousin of Mary Todd Lincoln, wife of Abraham Lincoln, died at his home here today. In recent years he had been writing what he called "Sidelights on Abraham Lincoln," in which he praised his cousin as a "great woman" and as a devoted and loyal wife of the Civil war president.

A native of Columbia, Mo., Todd was in the banking and real estate business before his retirement about a decade ago.

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2-7-1942

W. M. WASHINGTON.

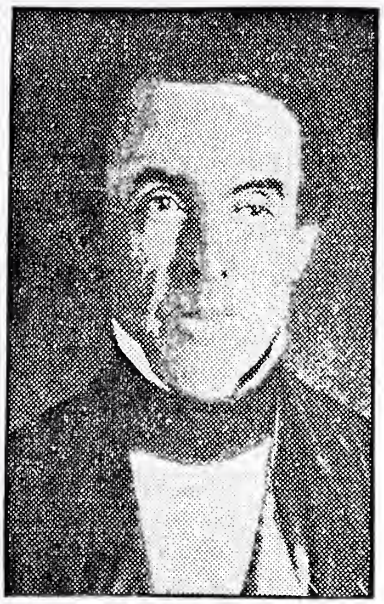
Detroit (AP)—William Morrow Washington, 65, great-great-grandnephew of George Washington, died yesterday after an illness of several months. A former Episcopal clergyman, Washington was head of the language department of Denby High School here. He was born in Knoxville, Ky.

His father was the third George Washington in line and his mother was Jane Todd Ramsay, a cousin of Mary Todd, wife of Abraham Lincoln.

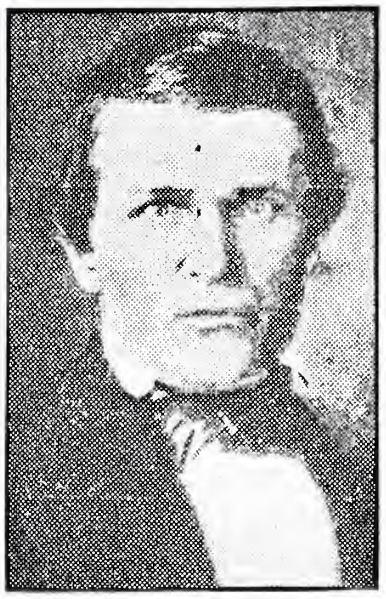
He was a graduate of Centre College, Danville, Ky., and obtained a doctor of philosophy degree at Columbia University. Before coming to Detroit in 1919 he served as archdeacon of the Lexington, Ky., diocese and help rectorships of and built Episcopal churches in Ashland and Corbin, Ky., and Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio.

MRS. ELIZABETH VANDEREN.

Served In Lincoln's Time



PELEG C. CANEDY.



ELI COOK.

Mr. Canedy, for whom Canedy street was named, served with Abraham Lincoln as a member of the board of trustees of the town of Springfield.

Eli Cook was mayor of the city of Springfield in 1847.

DR. JOHN TODD AMONG PIONEER MEDICAL MEN

Came To Illinois From Kentucky In 1817.

Among the distinguished pioneer physicians of Springfield was Dr. John Todd, who came to Illinois in 1817. Doctor Todd, who was a native of Fayette county, Kentucky, was graduated from the Transylvania university and subsequently from the University of Pennsylvania. He was surgeon-general of the Kentucky troops, serving in the War of 1812 on the northwestern frontier under General Harrison.

Doctor Todd was taken prisoner at the battle of River Raisin. He was paroled in the winter of 1813 and returned to Kentucky, where he remained until 1817. Coming to Illinois, he first located at Edwardsville where he practiced ten years. His death occurred at his home in Springfield Jan. 7, 1865. The State Journal of the following day thus characterized the good Doctor Todd:

"During all the years of active professional life he was noted for his kindness of heart, his disinterested benevolence and charities to the poor. In all the relations of life, as husband, father, friend and physician, he was a most estimable man. He has gone to his last home full of years and full of the love of all who knew him."

brother of Robert S Todd